









- Fears of rejection!
- Fear of loss of health!
- Fear of not sleeping!
- Fear of being out of control!
- Fear of losing my parents!
- Fear of growing old alone, dying alone!

It's not a sin to feel fear!
But what do we do with our fears?

"Fear not" in Bible 365 times, one for every day of the year!

"For God has not given us a spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

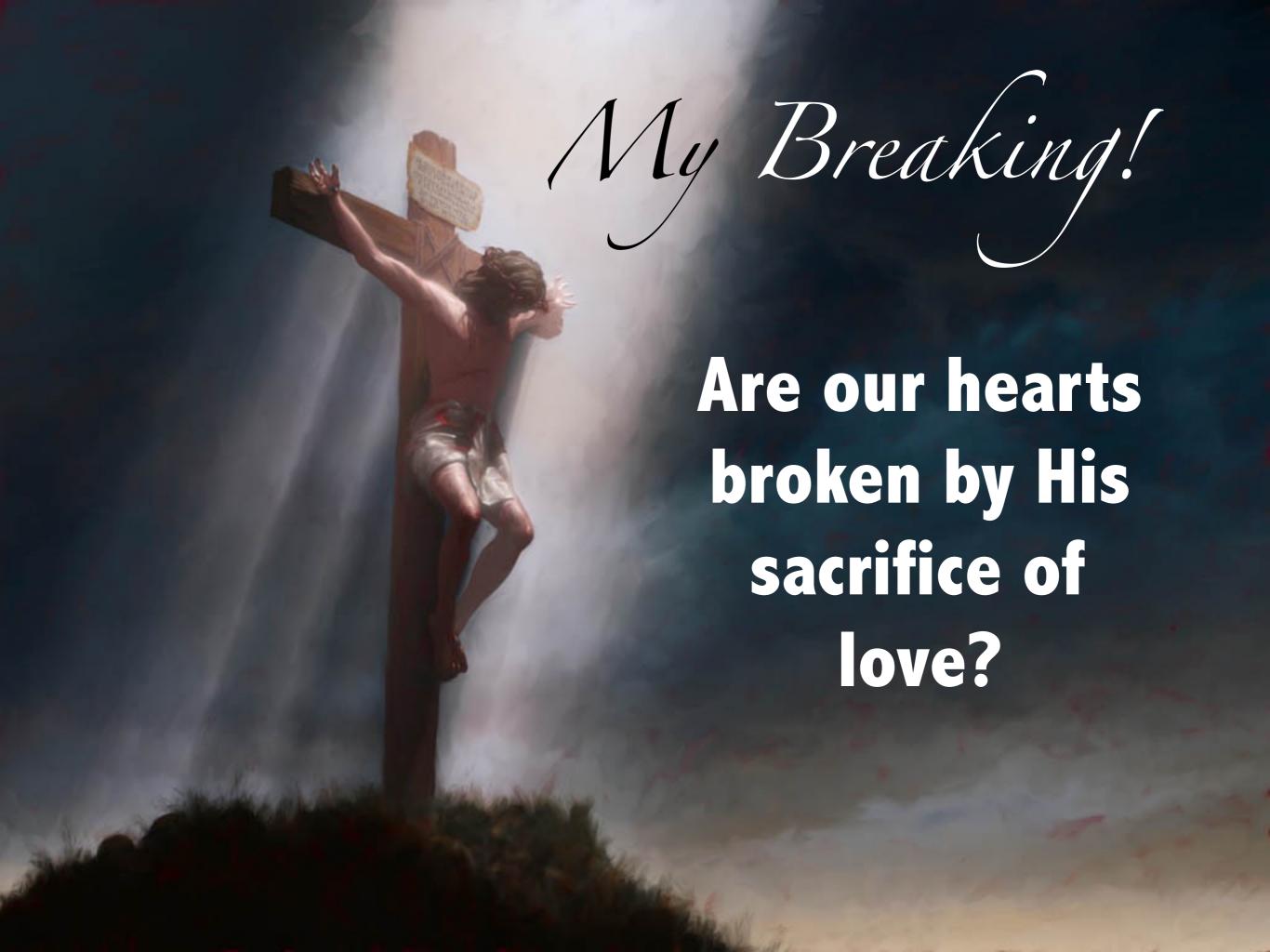
2 Tim. 1:7

So where do we get fear if not from God? The Father of LIES! Why do we accept it?

"There is no fear in love: but perfect love casts out fear..." Read 1 John 4:15-19

Do we understand God's love?





"Though all heaven has been poured out in one rich gift—for when God gave His Son, He gave the choicest gift of heaven, and the treasures of heaven are at our command—yet to the repenting soul the enemy will seek to represent God as stern and inexorable, unwilling to pardon the transgressor..."

"...At different times letters have come to me from persons who were in despair over their sins. One and another have written: "I fear I am past all help. Is there any hope for me?" To these poor souls the message has been given: "Hope in God. The Father has bread enough and to spare. Arise, and go to your Father. He will meet you a great way off. He will give you His love and compassion."

"In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him." 1 John 4:9

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

"Only He who knew the height and depth of the love of God could make it manifest. Nothing less than the infinite sacrifice made by Christ in behalf of fallen man could express the Father's love to lost humanity." Steps to Christ, p. 14

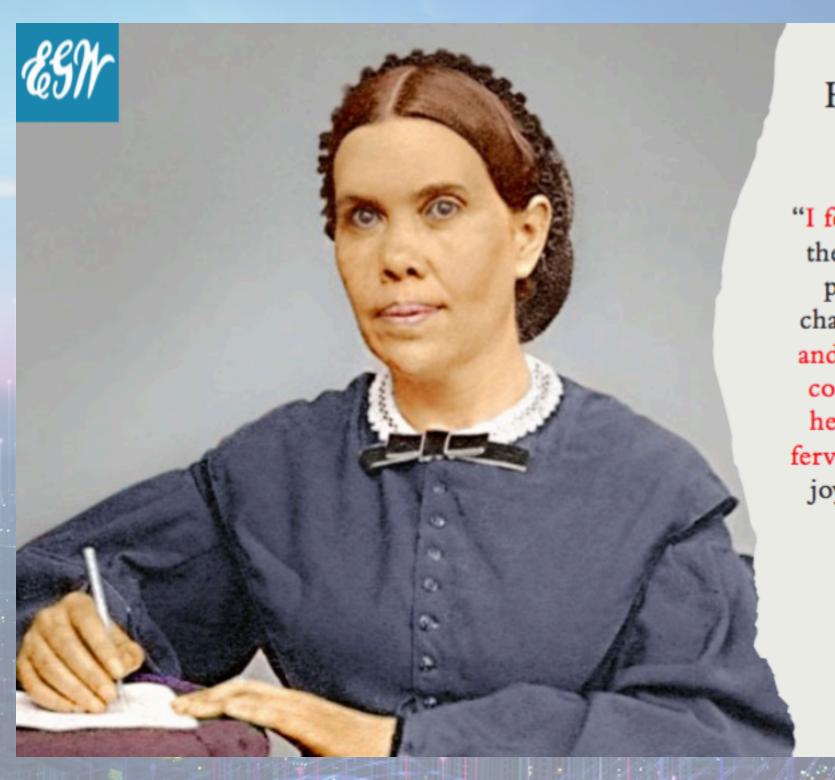


HER GREATEST THEME

- Ellen White struggled to accept the love of God (Age 9-16)
- She feared that she would "endure the flames of hell forever" (LS 30, 31)
- Levi Stockman, Methodist Minister, visted her
- "During the few minutes in which I received instruction from Elder Stockman, I had obtained more knowledge on the subject of God's love and pitying tenderness, than from all the sermons and exhortations to which I had ever listened" (LS 37).
- "Behold what manner of Love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called children of God" (1 Jn. 3:1)



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"I felt an inexpressible love for God, and had the witness of His Spirit that my sins were pardoned. My views of the Father were changed. I now looked upon Him as a kind and tender parent, rather than a stern tyrant compelling men to a blind obedience. My heart went out toward Him in a deep and fervent love. Obedience to His will seemed a joy; it was a pleasure to be in His service" (LS 39).

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God's Amazing Love!

- "Christ's favorite theme was the paternal character and abundant love of God" (6T 55)
- "The infinite, exhaustless love of God" (5T 740)
- "The love of Christ will animate the believer with new life..." (Desire of Ages, p. 280)

A Personal Love

"What shall account for the great love wherewith He has loved us? We cannot understand it, but we can know it is true in our own experience." (Desire of Ages, p. 327)

"If Christ be in us the hope of glory, we shall discover such matchless charms in Him that the soul will be enamored." (1T 162)

"I lay down the pen, and exclaim, O what love! What wondrous love! The most exalted language cannot describe the glory of heaven, nor the matchless depths of a Savior's love." (1SG 210- 211)

OUR MOST PRECIOUS TRUTH

- "The third angel's message calls for the presentation of the Sabbath of the fourth commandment, and this truth must be brought before the world; but the great center of attraction, Jesus Christ, must not be left out of the third angel's message"
- "Laborers in the cause of truth should present the righteousness of Christ, not as new light but as precious light that has for a time been lost sight of by the people.
- "Let us repeat and make prominent the truth that John has portrayed: "Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins" (1 John 4:10).

Our Most Precious Truth!

- "In the love of God has been opened the most marvelous vein of precious truth, and the treasures of the grace of Christ are laid open before the church and the world...
- "What love is this—what marvelous, unfathomable love—that would lead Christ to die for us while we were yet sinners!...What a loss it is to the soul who understands the strong claims of the law, and who yet fails to understand the grace of Christ which doth much more abound!

THE LOVE HE'S GIVEN TO PROCLAIM!

"It is true that the law of God reveals the love of God when it is preached as the truth in Jesus; for the gift of Christ to this guilty world must be largely dwelt upon in every discourse. It is no wonder that hearts have not been melted by the truth, when it has been presented in a cold and lifeless manner. No wonder faith has staggered at the promises of God, when ministers and workers have failed to present Jesus in His relation to the law of God" (Jesus: Name Above All Names, p. 129)

"The Lord could have cut off the sinner, and utterly destroyed him; but the costlier plan was chosen. In His great love He provides hope for the hopeless, giving His only-begotten Son to bear the sins of the world. And since He has poured out all heaven in that one rich gift, He will withhold from man no needed aid that he may take the cup of salvation, and become an heir of God, joint heir with Christ."

1 Selected Messages, p. 323

